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Confidential



43. Chorlton Road,
Manchester, April 11th 1931

My Dear Sir & Bro.

I am duly in receipt of your valuable work, and have also read with much pleasure the article of Lupus in the pages of the Freemason. The Prince also considers it very excellent.

The article in the Magazine by Bro. Matur was inserted ~~either~~ without my wish or consent or that of the Prince as it appeared, however, I thought I might as well follow it up ~~by~~ ^{my} ~~own~~ ^{own} ~~letter~~, accordingly I have made some allusion to it, in the Correspondence between R. W. & L. and Lupus, and intimated that no doubt Lupus would be glad to see the letter of the Italian ambassador, which is given accordingly, from it, it seems that Lupus is unaware that their application by a "Freemason lodge" was to confer the decoration.

Regarding the U.S. & history I may say that Matur is a very peculiar fellow, the MSS

You had better keep your mouth about it, as it appears in print.

were placed in his hands by Prince R, without
any intention that Mater should keep
them inasmuch as I hesitated whether I
should allow my name to appear on the
title page. Mater has rewritten the whole
thing & refuses to allow it to go out of his
own hands although both the Prince & myself
have requested that it should be sent on
to you, and we are both very anxious about it.

I am also very doubtful whether I should
allow my name to appear conjointly with
his own on the title page. I suppose after all
accident will decide it.

Still I see no reason why you should
not go on in the style you are doing,
maintaining the impartial tone of a judge
& reviewing whatever appears either from
Mater, myself, or others, but be very
cautious what you may write to Mater
as he is an impolitic talkative fellow, but
very useful both in Scotland & England.

The 32^o degree was conferred on Thursday
last upon Prince R. but he wishes it to be considered
a profound Secret, & the 33^o is expected to
be conferred during the month. You, I, &
Mater were the made honorary 33^o and
deputed to E. I. & S. respectively. Mater
has gone and blabbed this in Scotland.

and received a hint that if a S. C. is established in France & should
either interfere with 'Justice', or this country, it would not be recognised,
they very of 'Kings', the Bishop had no warrant will be granted but
the Prince will be left to procure his own cause in France as a 330.
The signs (Shaw & J. M. L.) morning that the S. C. of Scotland is a
would more comfortable body for than England, & says that as he intends
to say out his own intentions rather he got his annual subsidies, but they
all these shops our prison to be at 3. 9. S. S. - I deemed it best to tell
you this evening you at the same time that many things may occur
to purchase our object. No, I doubt whether such a proceeding
would be perfectly legal etc. Prussia has the English 338

that the grade expressed by America? Or monetary part of
was denied by France. Q. to inform you that when the other opportunities
to give to you, that you will have to fail, he asks or speaking
proportion of justice as an ceremony will be accomplishing the order
until the 'Princes' are in possession of the Empire.

I have made a very strong attack for next week upon the S. C. &
of England & Scotland, and I am debating whether I shall not propose
for disunion, whether the Act should be drawn out of England or Ireland?
in the latter case by referring to allow any longer that some half a dozen old

idiots shall elect themselves, or be elected by
~~the~~ the lower grades.

Can you inform me when and where
Sir Thomas Lawrence was made a
Knight of Malta, with such information
as you may have about him. His
Cousin Capt Lawrence - Archer has asked
me these questions & I was unable to
answer them, but thought you would be
very likely to know. He died he says in 1860
in London & wrote some books.

In conclusion I can only reiterate
that I hope you will not allow anything
that may be said by either Martin, or
myself, to interfere with the impartial
course you had chalked out for
yourself in the pages of the freemason.

And remain

Respectfully & fraternally yours

J. W. Gardner